

STUDENTS' LETTER.

At the beginning of this term we had the pleasure of meeting the ex-students, who had come to attend the Conference. Towards the end of the week many enjoyable entertainments were given.

The ex-students having challenged the present students to a hockey-match, it took place on Thursday afternoon. In spite of the pouring rain, the game was enthusiastically played. The sides were equally matched, and the result was a draw, two goals being scored on either side.

The evening of the same day a "conversazione" was held, in order that students past and present might become better acquainted. To save the trouble of introductions everyone wore a ticket with her name on it; this arrangement answered very well. Songs, piano and violin solos were given during what proved a most delightful evening.

On Friday evening the juniors gave us a most enjoyable entertainment. The most important item on the programme was "Scenes from 'The Rivals.'" The various parts were played in a charming and spirited manner, and the different scenes were received with enthusiastic applause. Tableaux then followed, depicting episodes in the lives of several famous women of history: Queen Victoria, Marie Antoinette, Charlotte Corday, and, last, but not least, the Suffragettes. These two last proved most popular. Songs and recitations were also contributed during the evening.

The following afternoon a concert was given in the beautifully decorated classroom by Fräulein Grimm. The programme consisted of selections, piano and vocal, from Chopin and Rubenstein. Unfortunately the programme had to be altered, as Fräulein Grimm, suffering from a sore throat, was unable to sing, and some other performers were absent. Songs were, however, given by present students, who also contributed several piano solos. The large

audience was very appreciative. After tea Mr. Graham kindly gave an interesting lecture entitled "The Border Counties," a subject on which he is an authority.

A fancy-dress dance followed later; some very pretty and ingenious costumes were worn. Among the most conspicuous were: An Old Clothes Shop (Mrs. Esslemont), A very smart Frenchman (Miss Parish), A French Bonne (Miss Winnie Kitching), The Three Old Maids of Lee (Misses Stubbs, Moore, and Flewker), A Nun (Miss Glascott), Little Princes in the Tower (Misses Macdonald and Jenkinson), A Hausa Chief (Miss Pollard), and L'Umile Pianta (Miss L. Gray).

On Sunday afternoon the past students came to have tea in their old rooms, and after evening service they said good-bye to us.